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1. The Communist authorities in North China are exploiting coal mines in the area to the greatest extent. Sales and distribution are handled for the entire district through the Peiping-Tientsin Coal and Iron Company (天津鐵礦公司), a subsidiary of the North China Trading Company. This firm has established branch offices in rural areas as well as in the medium-sized and larger cities, in a district roughly bounded by Chinhuangtao in the east, Taiyuan (112-35, 37-52) in the west, Kalgan and Tatum (113-14, 40-06) in the northwest, and Tsinan in the south.
2. Coal production and distribution from northern mines amounts to the following totals:
 - a. Mentoukou (116-02, 39-56) Coal Mine, 120,000 tons monthly, shipped to Tientsin, Peiping, Paoing (116-22, 38-59), and Shanghai.
 - b. Kailan Coal Mine, 360,000 tons monthly, shipped to Shanghai, Tsingtao, Nanking, Hankow, and Hangchow.
 - c. Changcheng (113-18, 37-09) Coal Mine, 5,000 tons monthly, shipped to Central China.
 - d. Tatum Hsia Hua Yuan (下花園) Coal Mine, 32,000 tons monthly, shipped to areas along the Peiping-Suiyuan railroad.
 - e. Cheng Tai (正大) Coal and iron Company, 30,976 tons monthly, distributed partly to its own iron foundry and partly to the Taiyuan area.
 - f. Yangchu (111-39, 36-11) - Chinghsing (114-01, 38-00) Coal Mine 68,000 tons monthly, shipped to Hopei, Shantung and Honan areas.

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